

gender equality has always been a desirable social goal. However, the achievement of this goal remains a myth despite tremendous effort. cultural barriers, pathetic social norms, political imbalance, lack of education and economic disparities are the main challenges.

## Gender equality a myth!

### Thesis statement:

Despite tremendous efforts, gender equality remains a myth in pakistan due to cultural barriers, social norms, political imbalance, lack of education and economic disparities.

### Outline:

1 - ~~Introduction~~

2 - ~~Historical basis of gender inequality in pakistan~~

3 - ~~soc. Cultural barriers in gender inequality~~

a - some cultures restricts women's freedom such as dress code

b - pakistan's culture is predominantly patriarchal, where men hold Authority.

4 - ~~Social norms leading to gender inequality~~

a - women are expected as caregivers; men are seen as breadwinners

5 - ~~political imbalance which results in gender inequality~~

a - fewer women in politics, leadership and policy making roles

b - laws fail to protect women from discrimination, harassment and violence

6 - ~~Lack of education~~

a - majority of families in pakistan believe that girls women's primary role is to manage household

b- Fear of harassment discourage many families from sending women out of homes for education

7- Economic disparities causing gender inequality

a- women participation in economic fields is less compared to men.

8- Recommendations

a- Addressing societal and cultural norms

b- Increasing women's political representation

c- providing safe education

d- strengthening Laws and policy measures.